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Statement Tonight

OTTAWA PARLEY VIEWS CONFLICT

OTTAWA—An official statement will likely be issued late today from the conference of the 25 high government officials, naval and military heads, and the standing committee on Orientals as to what further steps, if any, will be carried out with the Japanese population of British Columbia.

One thing is clear, Ottawa sources said, and that is that the Japanese fishing fleet will not go out this spring. It is proposed to set up some kind of agency to buy, lease or charter the boats so they may be used by other fishermen.

Considerable dissension, it appears, has arisen over other issues, particularly the removal of the population away from the coastal areas. Where they could be moved, and to what is mentioned only in vaguest terms. Road work is mentioned, but with every available energy going toward war, this is not regarded as feasible because of the cost.

But if there is no work for them, it seems that relief must be provided for naturalized fishermen dispossessed of their livelihood. No party to the conference is willing to assume that responsibility.

A consideration regarded with importance by delegates is the suggestion that compulsory expulsion might be seized upon as a reason for reprisals in the Far East.

NO BAITING IN SEATTLE

A Daily Province Staff Correspondent, after a survey of the situation in Seattle, said today:

"Generally speaking there is nothing like the fear and distrust that one hears in Vancouver and other British Columbia centres. In Seattle the public demonstrates no active resentment against the Japanese within its confines. The average citizen . . . . feels that the American-born Japanese, the "Nisei", are citizens of the republic and should be given a fair chance to prove their loyalty."

Today's HEADLINES

Far Eastern Front

[T]OKYO—The penetration of an [ene]d submarine within 100 miles of [To]yo was disclosed today in a dis[pat]ch from the Japanese Imperial [hea]dquarters which admitted the [tor]edoeing and severe damaging [of t]he 2225-ton Japanese freighter, [..]ai Maru No. 1 off the coast of [Japa]n.

[T]he announcement said that the [sub]marine attack took place yester[day] near the Izu Schichito island [grou]p which lies south of Tokyo.

[C]HUNGKING — Chinese reports today that Chinese forces had [broken] through the outer defences of [two] of the most important Japan[ese]-held cities in Southern China, [Can]ton and Nanchang.

[T]wo Chinese columns had driven [into] the northern and northeastern [sub]urbs of Canton in the course of [a th]ree-day assault on the outer de[fen]ses of the city which had been [hel]d by the Japanese since 1938.

[SI]NGAPORE—A furious all-day [batt]le was fought by the Japanese [infan]try and tanks and the British Imperial defenders on the main [Sing]apore road, less than 300 miles [nort]h of the stronghold, the British Eastern Command announced.

[..] that Berlin radio quoting DNB [..] was reported from London to[..] [dis]patches claimed that the defend[ers] of Kuala Lumpur, capital of the [Fede]rated Malay States had been [cut] off from behind by Japanese [..]s who had severed communica[tions] with Singapore 240 miles to [s]outheast.

[Russi]an Front

[LO]NDON—Russian reports said [..] the great Russian advance to [rid] Russia of every Hun was [me]eting success today as the half[..] siege on Leningrad and the [..]onth siege on Sebastopol on [the] Crimean peninsula were virtu[ally] lifted. Red Army troops were [said t]o be threatening the German [..]on forces with encirclement as [the] attacking troops were out[flanki]ng the Germans while the be[..] garrison fighters were strik[ing fr]om the front.

[Home] Newsfront

[Van]couver's famous fog had a [..]n an amusing incident today. [To th]e amazement of the park [sup]erintendent a training plane [from] the Boundary Bay training [..] made a forced landing on [the fo]otball field of Memorial Park this morning at 9. The fog [c]aused the pilot to lose his [bearin]gs, but he managed to make [a carefu]l landing on the small field.

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On Balance there is Cheerful News

Never a dull moment for us these days, being the major issue right on the home front. On the balance, probably we're taking quite a drubbing, both in verbal blasts and in injurious action. But if the attack is both powerful and vicious, and even if it arises in the most unexpected and disappointing quarters, there are a few cheerful counter-rallying points.

Mayor Hammers Down That Alderman

An attempt by Ald. H. D. Wilson, Wednesday, to induce the City Council to urge the Dominion government to ship us all east of the Rockies was hammered down by Mayor Cornett's gavel, when Ald. G. Worthington suggested that Wilson withdraw his motion or give notice of motion.

In his inaugural address His Worship had previously taken a firm stand against "rabble-rousing", asking Vancouver to look upon the local situation calmly and judiciously. He followed it up by refusing debate in council until after the federal conference now going on.

Persecution Unjust

Members of the Canadian Combat Veterans' Association Wednesday night passed a resolution condemning much of the opposition against local Japanese and "undemocratic and not compatible with British justice."

It was agreed that any action in connection with the internment or expulsion of our respective selves should be left in the hands of competent authorities in Ottawa.

No Prejudice in Schools

There has been no reported instances of friction between Japanese children and other races at city schools, as a result of the war with Japan, H. N. MacCorkindale, superintendent of schools, told school trustees Wednesday night.

"I feel that in these times all children should be kept free from racial prejudice. There has been no evidence of insolence in city schools so far," he said.

He Actually Talks About British Democracy

In a public statement Thursday, Ald. H. Wilson charged the Mayor's action in refusing to permit debate on his "expulsion" proposal was a breach of British democracy.

"The Mayor used his position unfairly to permit himself and others to voice their opinion and then refuses me even the opportunity—to reply to Ald. Worthington's request.

"Surely it is one of the basic principles of British democracy to give everyone an equal opportunity of expression." (Yes, he actually mentioned, "British democracy").

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No More Farm Lands

The Vancouver Sun reported Thursday that Matsqui Council (Fraser Valley) had endorsed a resolution submitted by a deputation, which declares: "We demand our provincial government pass legislation . . . (1) to disallow any Japanese from purchasing farm land; (2) . . . from renting any more farm land; (3) . . . from buying or renting farm crops until harvested.

Sumas Municipal Council favors a mass meeting to record popular opinion in the Valley.

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Nanaimo Agitated

Nanaimo City Council this week voted to ask the Dominion Government to intern adult Japanese in British Columbia for duration of the war.

Alderman George Muir, who brought the matter before the council, said he believed the matter of such urgency that Nanaimo should proceed on its own initiative.

All's Well Somewhere in England

By Staff Correspondent

EDMONTON, Alta. — Pte. Massa Murakami, Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps, was given a rousing send-off from here last week, as he left for London, Ontario, to rejoin his unit, after a lengthy furlough here.

Friends endured the 15-below weather, in spite of a long delay in the Canadian National Transcontinental.

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We are pleased to report "all's well and having a good time" communications from the following Niseis on active service:

Pte. Takahashi (RCOC), Sgt. Nishikawa, and Pte. Harry Higo, all "SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND."

Pte. Iwasa, Petawawa, Ontario; Pte. Yamauchi, Camrose, and Signaller T. Morimoto, Barriefield, Ontario.

Steveston Citizens Pledge Govt. Support

STEVESTON, B. C.—Members of the Steveston Japanese Canadian Citizens' Association, the majority of whom are second generation Canadian-born fishermen whose right to fish has been taken away and whose boats have been immobilized under government orders, Wednesday night endorsed a resolution in support of the government.

The resolution pledged full co-operation and support of the government in the measures taken by responsible authorities designed to ensure the public safety in British Columbia.

Government, Farmers Co-Operate . . . Examination Urged

X-Ray Clinic to Battle White Plague in Fraser Valley

Chest-examinations with X-ray equipment to determine actual tuberculosis conditions among the Japanese farming population of the Fraser Valley, will begin next Thursday morning, January 15, at the Haney Japanese farmers' hall.

In co-operation with farmers' associations throughout the valley, the Division of Tuberculosis Control of the Provincial Department of Health is conducting the valley-wide survey as the first step in combatting the "white plague" in rural areas.

An X-ray unit, under the direction of Dr. Ernest L. Garner and Haney public health nurse, Miss Pontenac, will make fifty tests per day, from 10 o'clock in the morning on, every Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday.

Haney First

Work will begin in Haney, then move to Hammond, next to Pitt Meadows, Whonnock and Mission.

In Haney, 235 cases have already been scheduled for examination, in Hammond 165, and in Pitt Meadows 110.

The survey is purely voluntary, but it is of utmost importance to discover the rate of active T. B. in these communities. It will be the first step in a determined campaign against the disease which has caused much tragedy in many families.

Co-operation urged

All residents—children, boys and girls, younger and older people—it is urged, should co-operate in this public health project by taking the examination. Applications should be made to executive members of local farmers' associations.

These associations, it is understood, are assuming any incidental costs not actually defrayed by the government for public health work.

Several years ago a survey was made by means of the old tuberculin test. The present survey, with actual X-ray equipment, however, will be much more accurate.

SEE X-RAY P. 2

Dim-Out Is Official

VANCOUVER. — Although nobody knows absolutely and definitely just what the score is as far as the black-out is concerned, and though confusion is still rife over who is what and why, certain orders are official and must be obeyed.

These orders apply now and are to be maintained until further notice:

Betwen sunset and sunrise:

1. Porch lights on homes must be kept off.

2. Stores and other business premises must not display outside lights, neon or otherwise.

3. Outdoor advertising signs must not be illuminated.

Confusion still attends the ruling as to illuminated store windows, but wise merchants are being safe and keeping them off.

TOWN TOPICS

• **Cage Team Guests.**
Intermediate All-Stars in the Community Basketball League were guests of honor Thursday night at a house-party at the home of Miss Akiko Yoshinaka, following their tough tussle with the towering Highbees' team.

• **Wedding Bells.**
Wedding bells will ring out tomorrow afternoon as Kimiye Adachi, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Manroku Adachi of Japan becomes the bride of Toshio Teshima, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. Kanjiro Teshima of Vancouver Cannery. Rev. Tachibana will officiate at the ceremony which will take place at the Fuji Chop Suey at 3.00 p.m.

Baishaku-nins are Mr. and Mrs. Shigetaka Sasaki and Mr. and Mrs. Shigetada Teshima.

• **Cumberland Visitors.**
A sudden invasion from Cumberland and way-points via the Thursday afternoon Nanaimo boat. Shepherded by Rev. Yoshio Ono of Cumberland, 8 boys and 7 girls arrived to register at RCMP headquarters, after attaining their 16th birthday.

They are: Yukio Kadoguchi, Yuri Kishimoto, Chizuko Sora, Kikuro Matsukura, Tsuyoshi Ogaki, Manabu Yano, Junji Kawaguchi, Sadao Tsukamoto, and Mitsuharu Wani from Cumberland; Mr. Uyeno from Deep Bay; Miyoko Tomihiro and Sayako Sato, Royston; and Fumi Yoneda of Courtenay.

• **Congratulations, Folks!**
Niseiville and Isseiville sat up and took more than ordinary notice late Wednesday night, when Mr. Stork dropped in to call.

To wit and to woo, but he left twins at the Vancouver General Hospital, for Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Kitagawa, 2751 East Pender Street. Mother, infant son and infant daughter are all doing well . . . but is Daddy taking a ribbing!

First New Year Baby

PRINCE RUPERT. — First baby to be born in the year 1942 in this city was an infant girl to Mr. and Mrs. Yaba. Both mother and daughter are doing well, says our correspondent.

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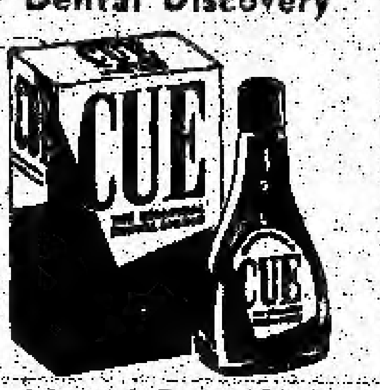

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calendar

JANUARY

9—Japanese Students' Club Meeting, Arts 207, 12.30 p.m.
11—Powell Y.P. Movie Night, 7.30 p.m., Church Hall.
26-31—Young People's Drama Festival, Kitsilano High School.

Tengu Fishmen Hold Prize-Winners' Din'er

Many a tall fish story was told Wednesday evening at the Fuji, when top men of the Tengu Fishing Club gathered for the annual dinner of prize winners.

First prize, silver cup, went to Y. Nishihara, whose 231-inch steelhead was the longest landed by a club member in 1941; while Kiichi Okura won the runner-up award.

Harry Miyazaki won the cup for the "Dolly Varden" class, while other prize winners present in the order named were: (3rd) Masao Mochizuki, (4) Tobei Shinio, (5) Sam Maruno, (6) Kyozo Kawai, (7) Juliei Tanaka, (8) Shinichi Maeba, (9) Kinzaburo Nishimura, (10) T. Ogawa.

President of the Tengu Club, Sadaichi Maikawa presided, but with the heavy run of fish stories, members dispensed with the speeches.

Services . . .

This Sunday

• **Powell United Church.**
Morning worship and Communion Service at 11.00. "Are You Able To Take of the Cup" will be subject on which Rev. K. Shimizu will preach.

Y.P.S. open night at 7.30 p.m. A movie entitled, "When the Stranger Came In" will be shown by the Minister.

• **Fairview United Mission.**
Young people's service at 11.00 a.m. "Facing the Future" by Mr. Takashi Komiyama. Marie Akiyama, soloist. Public worship and Communion service at 2.00 p.m. "A Revitalizing Reminder" by Rev. K. Shimizu.

• **Church of Ascension.**
Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m., and Holy Communion in English at 9.15. Junior Church and Sunday School at 10.00 a.m. Morning Service, 11 o'clock, "The Three Wise Men of the East," by Rev. G. G. Nakayama.

Annual meeting, 1.30 p.m. in the church hall.

A.Y.P.A. service at 7.30 p.m. with Rev. W. H. Gale in charge.

• **Holy Cross Mission.**
8.30 a.m. Holy Communion in English, 9.45, Sunday School and Bible Class. 11 a.m. Holy Communion in Japanese.

Nisei service at 2 p.m., and at 7.30, Japanese service, "Evensong."

ROYAL CITY Y.P.

NEW WESTMINSTER.—The Royal City Young People's Society will meet this Sunday, at 7.30 as usual.

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Interest Rising In Annual Drama Fete

Twenty plays from Vancouver and the Fraser Valley have been entered in the tenth annual drama festival of the Greater Vancouver Young People's Union, which will be held at the Kitsilano High School for the entire last week of January.

While this festival was originally started for the benefit of United Church Young People's Societies, an "open" section added a year ago has aroused such interest that the number of entries in this section now exceed those from United Y.P. groups.

In the church section entries have been received from St. Andrew's - Wesley Fellowship, Mountain View Y.P.S., St. John's Y.P.S., St. George's Y.P.S. and the Japanese Powell Y.P.S.

Thirteen entries have been received for the open section. Adjudicators for the festival are Mrs. Yvonne Firkins, Ross Lort, C.D.A., and J. K. Stansfeld.

In connection with the festival the annual drama dance will be held in the Hotel Georgia, Thursday, January 29.

Obituary

Final rites were performed Wednesday afternoon, January 7, at the Japanese Catholic Mission for Kimiyo Imai, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Kohei Imai of this city.

The young man, who had been known for his artistic talent, passed away Monday at St. Joseph's Hospital, in his twenty-fifth year. Described as a gentleman and a model patient by the doctors and nurses at that institution, he leaves only his parents as immediate relatives.

"X-Ray"

Planned before the war, was temporarily delayed, b[...] department of health offic[...] are determined to carry [...] with the war on the ho[...] front—the war against [...] "white plague."

T. B. Rate Concern

Leading citizens in Han[...] Hammond, and elsewhere ha[...] rate of tuberculosis, and p[...]ticularly among the youth[...] been much concerned over [...] boys and girls who fall p[...] to the disease most easily.

Doctors are most anxi[...] that young people and adol[...]cent youth, particularly th[...] in their late teens, should [...]operate in the survey. Act[...] tuberculosis can be best co[...]batted—when detected in early stages.

A Word . . .

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Mission Miscellany

By Staff Correspondent

MISSION, B. C.—New Year's week has come and gone, leaving sweet memories of parties, dances and those dreary headaches of the morning after.

"Ow-oo-o, my head," they used to say.
Now those memories are gone away—
Parties and dances and girls petite
And "Hey, you get off my dainty feet!"
They leave behind sweet memories
Of swaying couples, enchanting melodies,
Of groaning tables 'neath the monstrous piles
Of "sushi", "yokan", "tako" and other styles
Of food prepared by dainty hands,
The customs of a foreign land.

Memories they do leave . . . to many members of Mission Niseiville—to Bob Senda, Jim Yako, Mac Fukami, Kunio Sato, Tad Saito and many others . . . warm, soft embraces, swaying, swinging and shuffling to the lilting melodies of Wayne King, et al.

. . . to Eiko Umetsu, Takako Yanoshita, and Fumi Moriyama, to Chieko Amemori, Miyoko Nakashima and the rest of the girls . . . the strong husky arms of our "Judo" expert, Y.S., and the confident masculinity of the young men.

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On New Year's night and the night of the 2nd, the Misses Eiko and Mitsue Umetsu were hostesses to a group of young Niseis at their home. With Mac Fukami as m.c. the couples enjoyed the dancing, with the Brownie fox trot, two step mixer raising the roof. The hostess and the m.c. pitched in to tutor those not so well acquainted with the dance floor.

A hearty vote of thanks goes to Mrs. Umetsu and her daughters for the wonderful time enjoyed by all.

On the evening of January 3, the younger set gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Inaba. Here the program followed the previous evenings' gaiety, and here those modern maniacs, the "jitterbugs" made their debut.

First Mac and Eiko, then Bob and Kinko, then the Inabas and others joined in stamping, jumping, swinging and swaying—a carefree group of Niseis, enjoying this evening in New Year's week.

Edmonton Echoes

By Staff Correspondent

EDMONTON, Alta.—Local Japanese Canadians, Isseis and Niseis, again as in past years, were treated to a sumptuous Christmas dinner at Bissell United Church as guests of Rev. and Mrs. Stephens. The Community extends heartfelt thanks to their host and hostess and to Miss George.

Mrs. Wellwood of the YWCA staff was the generous hostess at the second banquet for localities at the "Y". Fascinating slides of her travels in Indo-China and Japan after the dinner added to the evening's enjoyment.

NEW YEAR'S EVE . . . Riverdale skating rink—took a B. C. girl to brave the 20-below; or was it you, Sumi? . . . local Niseis and friends, George Kiyooka (Calgary), Irene and Massa Murakami (Drumheller) waltzed in the New Year on ice . . . Fred in his glory . . . Myrtle happy as a stream . . . why did we have to break-up at 5 a.m. Such a night, such a moon, such a waste!

NEW YEAR'S DAY . . . Niseis warm up the evening with a show after an afternoon tea "with Myrtle" and Fred as M. C. After the show—at Uyehara's—cutely couple or otherwise, generally the former, a "seance" was held. Later the main episode began—Sumi at the piano, Irene, Mis, Yacht, Jim, Fred, Roy, Massa, George, Taro ranged around the artist. A hilarious sing-song (?) with plenty of swing got under way, increasing in tempo and hoarseness into the wee hours.

Episode No. 2—Next night—at Nakamura's—Swing sessioin continued. What say, Irene, to holding classes for us would be swingsters? Who was the one singing "I love to be conceited"? Mis, Yacht, and Taro finally managed to arrive at one dinner on time. Congratulations.

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Baron's Barrage Brings Maikawa's Victory Over M. & N.

Vegas No Match For Loop-Lead'g Higbees

Community League umpire Ted Milton's Intermediate B Higbee's turned in their eleventh win in 12 starts last night by swamping the local Vegas 40-16.

Out-reached and outplayed the Nisei reps tried valiantly to match speed and scoring with the well-organized league leaders, but all in vain. Higbees took a commanding lead of 11-4 in the first stanza and fattened it considerably before the game was over.

"Mush" Fukumoto and Tosh Hashimoto spiked the Nisei attack with 6 and 5 points respectively.

Vegas have only two games remaining on the schedule. On January 22 they meet Sparlings in the final game, on January 29 they take on Angelus Hotel.

Shibuyas Improve But Marpole Too Good

Occasionally that guy "Baron" Wakabakashi gets hot on a basketball floor, and on those rare occasions he's a heartbreaker to the opposing team. Last Wednesday M. & N., strengthened by Shig Ashikawa had the game all but sewed up until "Baron" decided to go to town and did just that by looping in 9 points in the last quarter to bring home a 34-30 triumph for "T.M."

Shibuyas are a vastly improved quintette and no longer considered "push-overs" in the senior division. A little less over-anxiousness might have won them their first game of the season, but as the sad tale goes on, they went to pieces after holding a 30-26 lead and dropped out of the picture as trickey little Sub Miike faked his way through for 9 points, giving Marpole a 38-31 victory.

Vegas—Fukumoto (6); Toyama (1); Miyazaki; Miike; Yamabe (2); Hashimoto (5); Maikawn; Tsukamoto (2)—16.

Score by Quarters:

Vegas	4	8	11	16
Higbies	13	26	30	40

ON THE CAGE MENU

Saturday, January 10
8.00—Hurricanes-Nomads.
7.00—Acme-Marpole.
8.00—Haney-Comets.

Tuesday, January 13
7.00—Vegas' Practice.
8.00—Ink Spots-Tuxis.
9.00—Sally's-May's.

Wednesday, January 14
7.30—Shibuya-Maikawa.
8.30—M. & N.-Marpole.

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Singers	10	2
Kick Backs	9	3
Tanaka Bros.	8	4
Asahis	6	6
Maple Leafs	6	6
Giants	6	6
Five Aces	5	7
Lucky Strikes	5	7
East Enders	4	8
Screw Balls	1	11

The Men's 5-Pin Bowling League will hit the half-way mark this Monday night, unless previous arrangements for only ten week's are changed to provide fifteen as suggested. The extra time would give the teams low in present ranking a chance to make a comeback.

In the present team standing Otto Yanagizawa's Singers are enjoying a one-game lead with 10 wins and 2 losses.

Last week's top team, Tanaka Bros. dropped 3 games to Singers Monday as they used two subs in place of absent Yosh Kozai and Steve Ebata.

Roy Fujimoto's, pin-spilling "Kick Backs" climbed up to second slot with 9 wins and 3 losses. Tanaka Bros. hold third place with 8 wins and 4 losses.

In individual honors Tad Kondo took the lead this week with a 12-game average of 228 pins. Mas Isoshima and Mas Ishihara are tied for second with 223.

George Shishido's high single's mark of 325 and Mas Isoshima's three-game aggregate of 786 pins are still tops in their division.

'200' BOWLERS

Tad Kondo	228
Mas Isoshima	223
Mas Ishihara	223
Jack Koyama	215
Roy Fujimoto	209
Steve Ebata	20[illegible]
Yuki Uno	203
George Shishido	200
Frank Nikaido	200
Tats Ono	200

MONDAY'S SCHEDULE

Alleys:
15-16—Giants (925) vs. Five Aces (942). **(Handicap—Giants 12 Pins).**
17-18—Maple Leafs (897) vs. East Enders (848). **(Handicap—East Enders 34 Pins).**
19-20—Kick Backs (970) vs. Lucky Strikes (923). **(Handicap—Lucky Strikes 33 Pins).**
21-22—Screw Balls (759) vs. Singers (925). **(Handicap—Screw Balls 116 Pins).**
23-24—Tanaka Bros. (904) vs. Asahis (860). **Handicap—Tanaka Bros. 39 Pins).**

Jr. Ping Pong Under Way This Sunday

Junior Division games are scheduled for this Sunday at 7 p.m. as the Nisei Table Tennis League gets under way on the second half of their schedule. The senior division will not start until the following Friday, January 16.

The schedule for this Sunday's junior games are:
New Team vs. Kitsilano.
Meiwa Gakuen vs. Mailkawa.
Union Fish vs. Tairiku.
Mikada—bye.

Senior games next week are G.Y.K. vs. Mikedo, Fairview vs. Union Fish and Tairiku gets the bye.

The complete schedule and team ranking will be posted in next Wednesday's issue.

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Democracy in Action

THE most heartening news story to come our way since that dreadful day early in December is the report that the provincial health department's Divisions of Tuberculosis Control will proceed with its previously-planned survey of active tuberculosis among the Japanese Canadian families in the Fraser Valley.

Officials of the Division feel, according to the report, that in spite of the war in Europe and in Asia, there is a battle to be fought and won here on the home front. It is a humanitarian battle, a campaign to prevent sickness and suffering, a struggle to preserve health and save life.

It is a battle that transgresses racial lines, that follows not in the footsteps of the Priest and Levite, but in those of the Good Samaritan.

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This news report is important to those directly concerned, as an important public health project. Even more, it is important in another sense to every one of us who call ourselves Canadians in spite of our Japanese descent.

It is significant as the living, breathing force of democracy in action.

The war has produced many reactions to shake our faith in that democracy. There have been innumerable instances of flagrant, local abuse of government regulations that we accepted in good faith as just and reasonable in principle. There has been a strong feeling of popular unrest, stirred and intensified by deliberate agitation. There has been an unexplainable hysteria from citizens, whom we felt by virtue of their position, would be possessed of a greater good sense. Hardest of all, there has been unreasonable and unjust action from those quarters in which we had heretofore placed a high degree of trust and confidence.

In the face of all that the fact that we have been able for the most part to go about in our daily lives with a minimum of interference offers convincing reason for us to place continued faith in the abiding sense of goodwill and justice of the bulk of the Canadian people. An affirmation of that sense of goodwill, moreover, has not been lacking in the teeth of an opposing storm.

Now this positive act of humanitarianism, to be carried out by agencies of the Provincial government, our government, comes at an opportune time to restore and bolster our faith. It will help us to meet future blows steadfastly; it will encourage us to strive mightily against bitterness.

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We'll Fight for Home!

By T. M. K.

The tide of panic, starting from irresponsible agitators, threatens to engulf the good sense of the people of British Columbia. The daily press is flooded with "letters to the editor" demanding the indiscriminate internment of all people of Japanese blood, alien or Canadian-born; demanding the immediate confiscation of our right to work as we like, our right to live like decent human beings. One and all they add the height of sardonic cynicism: if we are as loyal as we say we are, then we ought to understand why we ought to be treated like poison.

If we were less Canadian, less steeped in the tradition of justice and fair-play, perhaps we could understand and bow our heads before this strange, undemocratic baiting of thousands of innocent people.

For the very reason that our Grade School teachers, our High School teachers, and our environment have bred in us a love of country, a loyalty to one's native land, faith in the concepts of traditional British fair-play, it is difficult to understand this expression of a mean narrow-mindedness, an unreasoning condemnation of a long suffering people. We cannot understand why our loyalty should be questioned.

After all this is our only home, where by the sweat of our endeavours we have carved a bit of security for ourselves and our children. Would we sabotage our own home? Would we aid anyone who menaces our home, who would destroy the fruits of our labor and our love? People who talk glibly of moving us wholesale "East of the Rockies", who maintain it is an easy task, overlook with supreme indifference the complex human character.

They do not think what it would mean to be ruthlessly, needlessly uprooted from a familiar home-ground, from friends to a labor camp where most likely the decencies will be of the scantiest in spite of what is promised. They do not think that we are not cattle to be herded wherever it pleases our ill-wishers. They forget, or else it does not occur to them that we have the same pride and self-respect, as other Canadians, that can be hurt beyond repair. In short, they do not consider us as people, but as a nuisance to be rid of at the first opportunity. What excuse they use is immaterial to them. It just happens to be very opportune that Japan is now an active enemy.

We have often been accused of taking the bread out of "white" folks' mouths. Is there anything against the right to enjoy what one has earned? Our little trades and professions . . . what golden loot for our would-be despoilers! No wonder they drool to get at them. These hard-earned, well-deserved small successes . . . few out of the total of our enterprises; how many are there that can be classed as wealth? So few!

"Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn."

Right here in British Columbia is a God-sent opportunity for the government and the people to practise democracy as it is preached. Not in panicky persecutions that does no one any good, but with sensible belief in our very real harmlessness, and consideration for us as a much-maligned people.

Ye gods! Can they not believe that we love our home, too, and would fight to protect it from any invader!

Enemy Alien Registration

Notice is once more drawn to the fact that the registration of enemy aliens is due to be completed before February 7 of this year, and that many Japanese residents fall within the classifications required to report to the registrar and to sign the declaration of good conduct.

These classes are liable to report:

(a) Japanese nationals (those born in Japan who have not been naturalized.

(b) Naturalized citizens who received their naturalization papers after September 1, 1922.

(c) Wives and foreign-born children (of naturalized Canadians, who received their papers prior to September 1, 1935) who entered Canada after January 1, 1935.

(d) Sons of naturalized Canadians holding Serial E. certificates, who lay claim to Canadian citizenship by virtue of the affidavit they hold.

National Registration.

Attention is also directed to certain regulations in regard to National Registration.

In reporting a change of address, or of name by marriage, a printed form of post card size is available at the Post Office. (In Vancouver these may be obtained at the Main Post Office, Wicket No. 7.)

In reporting the loss of a registration card, a specially printed form is also available at the same place.

V for Valor as Well as Victory

(An open letter to Canadians of Japanese descent, written to The New Canadian by James Kidney, prominent young people's leader of Edmonton, Alberta.)

THERE ARE undoubtedly a million ways to feel about writing a statement that might find its way to the printed page of "The New Canadian," but I have a feeling of hope. I hope I can write exactly what I feel . . . I hope you can feel exactly what I write.

I have been a reader of this Canadian weekly just as often as I can get copies, and I assure you I miss very few issues. The clear-cut, definite style . . . of praise where it is deserved, of criticism where it is due . . . is worthy of the highest citation. This paper is the soul, rather than the voice of the second generation.

The Nisei of Canada will naturally wonder why I, an Irish-Canadian, am even remotely interested in them, or the periodical that so aptly presents their views. There is only one answer. We are all Canadians. In saying this, I am mindful of the disadvantages under which you labor, the Canadian privileges which are denied you, the bitter verbal attacks you suffer, the uncalled for discrimination and degradation that are created . . . all of them perpetuated by people who may be Canadians in name, but certainly not in character.

I am not expressing my views because I feel sorry for the Nisei, or because I think they might ned my sympathy (that would be worse than useless) it is because I know they are worthy of the name "Canadian" in its fullest meaning. My knowledge of their worthiness comes from the privilege I have of counting among my friends Canadians of Japanese descent. My best chum was born in Japan. My happiest hours are spent in the homes of these people. I have never been made to feel uncomfortable, or out of place in their company. They have always treated me like a Canadian and I will always return the compliment.

Nisei of Canada, your road ahead is fraught with many dangers and setbacks. The way, of necessity, must be long and arduous. The price of eventual success will indeed be heavy, but, my friends, you have come so far now, it would be foolish to compromise, it would be sheer madness to retreat. Canada needs you as much as you need Canada. Some of us know that now, the rest will know it soon. Remember "V" stands for valor, as well as victory. So, in the measure of the valor you display, so shall you find the same measure in the victory you attain. CANADA IS FOR CANADIANS.

The violent dreaded war we all feared has come since I wrote the above lines; I felt something more must be added to reinstate everything I wrote. Now, indeed, we must have faith in the country to which we all owe our allegiance. Canada does need every Canadian. Even if it means great losses, shortened battle lines, strategic retreats, we know, because our cause is just, we cannot fail.

Above all Canadians, the Japanese Canadians stand to gain most by being Canadian in this struggle . . . that is why other Canadians cannot question their loyalty. Your very actions will prove your loyalty. We all feel sure of that.

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